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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 4, please amend the second full paragraph, beginning on line 10, as follows:

--Other trap designs that have effectively overcome the pest-escape defects in the prior art are set forth in copending application, Serial Number 10/320,688, filed December 17, 2002 (the '688 application), now U.S. Patent No. 6,622,422 6,735,899, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. Eliminating the need for a tilting platform, the diverter traps disclosed in the '688 application advantageously substitute at least two fixed barriers or diverter members that are positioned between the opening of the trap and a pair of spaced charged plates electrically connected to a voltage source. The two charge plates are configured such that contact with both charge plates simultaneously by a target animal will actuate the electric charge to effectively kill the animal.--